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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**  
Anne K. Quinlan, Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street Southwest  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: **U.S. Rail – Construction And Operation Exemption**  
STB Finance Docket No. 35141

Dear Ms. Quinlan:

The Town of Brookhaven (“Brookhaven”) and Petitioner U.S. Rail Corporation (“U.S. Rail”) continue to actively negotiate with respect to settlement of the above-captioned matter. As such, Brookhaven and U.S. Rail hereby jointly request to extend the time for filing their respective replies to the following pleadings:

1. U.S. Rail requests an additional 30-day extension of time to reply to Brookhaven’s pending motion to compel discovery from March 17, 2009 to April 16, 2009; and
2. Brookhaven requests an additional 30-day extension of time to reply to U.S. Rail’s supplemental petition from April 1, 2009 to May 1, 2009.

Each party consents to the other’s request

Very truly yours,

  
Jessica P. Driscoll

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